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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 482
By Fowlkes

A RESOLUTION honoring the Lincoln County Fair as the Best Fair in the state, and upon being crowned "Champion of Champions Fair."

WHEREAS, it is fitting to note the high standard of excellence for which Tennessee county fairs are known; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Fair, which has been crowned champion of Tennessee fairs truly exemplifies such peerless excellence, and is most surely an outstanding experience in which to partake; and

WHEREAS, the "Champion of Champions Fair" award was given to the Lincoln County Fair during the 78th Annual Tennessee Association of Fairs Convention held in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Fair qualified for this prestigious award by being named state champion in the "AA" division of fairs in 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Fair was also recognized by the Tennessee Department of Agriculture with the "Award of Merit" based on overall operations, educational value and promotion of local interest in agriculture and community spirit; and

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WHEREAS, TDA Commissioner, Dan Wheeler stated: "Fairs are a valuable part of the agricultural industry by showcasing the best our farms and agribusinesses have to offer. There's a long tradition of cooperation between fairs and the agricultural community"; and

WHEREAS, the following people were instrumental in the establishment of the innovative programs and events which earned the Lincoln County Fair this most prestigious award: Lincoln County Fair Association President, Jerry Mansfield, Fair Secretary, Ruthie Jeans, and Board Members, Ewin Cowley, Gary Byers, Mary Ann Marsh, Morris Mills, Steve Broadway, Jimmy Jennings, Janice Thomas, Clayton Wilson, Stan Trentham, Ginger Trentham, Mary Chorney, Tom Bigham, Cindy Harwell, Jimmy Carter, Emily Pitcock, Stan Pitcock, Polly Askey, Mike Hyde and Jeff McCormick; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln County Fair has set a high standard to be emulated by fairs across this great state and nation, a standard of which we are most definitely proud; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this body does hereby officially honor and express its congratulations to the good people of the Lincoln County Fair Association upon their most-deserved receipt of the "Champion of Champions Fair" Award.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.